(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir. Under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, approval of the Central Government is required before a State Government or other authority issues any order directing that any forest land or any portion thereof may be used for any non-forest purpose.

(b) and (c) The forest land required for Koel Karo HE Project in Bihar has not yet been acquired and no ' application has been made to Central Government for permission. Necessary permission of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 would be obtained at the appropriate time.

**Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited dues against Electricity Boards**

118. SHRI INDRADEEP SINHA;
SHRI SURAJ. PRASAD;

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large amount of money of Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) is due against Electricity Boards;

(b) if so, which are the States that have not cleared their dues so far; and

(c) what steps are being proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE EN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Show cause notices issued to M/s. I.T.C. Ltd.**

119**.** SHRI RAM BHAGAT PASWAN: Will the Minister af LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that M/s. I.T.C, has set up some units without proper clearance of Companies and M.R.T.P. Act during the last few years;

(b) the details of show cause notices issued to M/s. **I.T.C,** and its **other** companies during the last three years; and

(c) if so, what are the details ia each case?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JAGANNATH KAUSHAL): (a) Only one case has come to the notice of the Government where M/s. I.T.C. Limited had established a new undertaking at Puri in the name of M/s. B. K. Singh and Company for processing) of marine products without obtaining prior approval of the Central Government under Section 22 of the MRTP Act. A show-cause notice dated 8-3-1982 for penal action was given to the company. In its reply, the company stated that the arrangement between it and M/s. B. K. Singh and Co., was only part of a commercial transaction of a purely temporary nature and for purposes of exports only: and that it remained in existence only for a period of about three years and was discontinued thereafter. In view of the circumstances brought out by the company, it was decided to treat the case as closed after administering a warning to M/s. **I.T.C.** Limited to be more careful in future.

(b) and (c) Details regarding show-caui^e notices for prosecution issued' to M/s. I.T.C. Limited (except in respect of the violation mentioaed in reply to part (a) above) during the last three years are given in the Statement. No such notices were issued to-any of its interconnected 'undertakings during this period.